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What's New?

[NJ-NY Placement MOA](#): On November 9, 2020, The New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) announced a joint venture with New York City and New York State to better facilitate interstate placements of children and youth in cases involving parental abuse, neglect, or incapacitation. New Jersey and New York have long emphasized the importance of kinship connections for children in care and this agreement furthers that goal.

The agreement is applicable to the New Jersey counties of Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, and Union, as well as the New York counties of Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond. It allows each state to initiate a Temporary Emergency Placement Referral and within 7-days to complete temporary home assessments, local background checks and family team planning for the child in care. The receiving state will coordinate supervision and services, while the sending state will be responsible for medical and financial support or subsidies. A full Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC) request will be processed once the emergency placement is complete.

As a result of the agreement, three (3) new forms have been created. They include:

- [Temporary Emergency Home Assessment Form](#)
- [Temporary Emergency Placement Referral Form](#)
- [ICPC Supervision Report - 30 Day](#)

What's Obsolete?

Policy

- OOE-I-A-1-32, **Participation and Attendance at School by Individuals with HIV**: this policy has been obsoleted because there is no need to have a stand-alone policy for a single infectious disease.

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